

ABSTRACT

(Fig. 3)

IMPROVEMENTS RELATING TO COMPUTER SYSTEMS

A computer system comprising hardware (70), an
operating system (68), and application programs (54) which
3 makes function calls on the operating system, includes a
portability layer (60) which directs the calls to
components of a native library (62) associated with the
operating system, if such components exist, or otherwise
directs the calls to components of a special portability
10 library (64). In this way the application can very easily
be adapted or ported to run on many different platforms
including either a feature-rich operating system or a
feature-sparse operating system.